

## CHAPTER 1097

### CHILD DEVELOPMENT HOMES — CHILD-TO-STAFF RATIO REQUIREMENTS

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**AN ACT** establishing an exception to the number of children allowed to be present for child care at any one time in a child development home under certain conditions.

*Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:*

Section 1. [Section 237A.3A, subsection 3](#), Code 2020, is amended by adding the following new paragraph:

NEW PARAGRAPH. *f.* The department shall adopt rules to allow registered child development homes providing care to school-aged children to exceed the child-to-staff ratio for school-aged children when a school-aged child's school starts late, is dismissed early, or is canceled due to inclement weather, a public health emergency, or structural damage regardless of whether the child development home provider is able to be assisted by a department-approved assistant or co-provider, provided the child is currently enrolled at the registered child development home and the registered child development home does not exceed the child development home's registration capacity.

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